

CDC's Progress in Ending the HIV Epidemic

Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America (EHE) is a **once in a lifetime opportunity** to reduce the number of new HIV infections in the United States by 90% by 2030. Since the start of the initiative, CDC has diligently worked alongside the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and partner agencies to lay the foundation for EHE activities across the country.

February 2019 | In the State of the Union, the President announces HHS' *Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America* initiative



March 2019 | EHE is central theme throughout CDC's 2019 National HIV Prevention Conference.



June 2019 | CDC awards \$4.5 million from the HHS Minority HIV/AIDS Fund to jumpstart key EHE activities in Baltimore City, Maryland; Dekalb County, Georgia; and East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.



September 2019 | CDC awards \$12 million from the HHS Minority HIV/AIDS Fund for all EHE jurisdictions* to develop multi-year and community-tailored EHE strategic plans, with an emphasis on bringing "new voices" to the table.



CDC awards \$1.3 million to implement integrated STD/HIV prevention and treatment strategies in Baltimore City, Maryland; Dekalb County, Georgia; and East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.

October 2019 | CDC hires and sends 10 Public Health Field Assignees to EHE jurisdictions* across the country to increase the HIV workforce capacity of health departments in these areas.



December 2019 | CDC releases an EHE Vital Signs report that highlights the critical need for federal funding to focus on testing, treatment, prevention, and health disparities.



January 2020 | CDC announces the availability of \$109 million in funding for EHE jurisdictions* to implement novel and innovative HIV prevention and treatment programs.



* EHE Phase One Jurisdictions include the 48 counties, Washington, D.C., San Juan, Puerto Rico, and seven states with a substantial rural burden that account for more than 50% of all new HIV diagnoses in the country.

Community Engagement & Planning



CDC leadership traveled the country to hear input from communities and foster partnerships critical to the success of the initiative. New EHE funds enable jurisdictions to accelerate and continue this community engagement and partnership work.

CDC Director, Dr. Redfield, personally visited 38 of the 57 EHE jurisdictions. Collectively, in 2019, EHE leadership from across HHS have visited nearly all of the 57 jurisdictions for phase one of the initiative.

EHE Funding in Action

To jumpstart the initiative, CDC used HHS Minority HIV/AIDS funds to invest a total of \$4.5 million in three “Jumpstart Sites” to implement key foundational activities that will help accelerate progress toward ending the HIV epidemic in their communities. The successes and lessons learned from these sites will be shared to support nationwide EHE efforts. From July to December 2019, Jumpstart Sites have already implemented and accelerated key EHE strategies in their communities, including:

Baltimore City, MD

1. Incorporated HIV/STD testing into a mobile syringe-services program (SSP)
2. Implemented a care navigation and treatment program in two clinics to improve viral suppression
3. Provided access to PrEP[†] to clients in two health centers

DeKalb County, GA

1. Initiated a jail-based HIV testing program and trained 30 nurses to deliver HIV testing in jails
2. Provided same-day linkage to care and treatment for those newly diagnosed during targeted outreach testing
3. Provided access to PrEP[†] to clients in two new clinics and utilized online marketing to promote PrEP in the areas of the county that are most in need

East Baton Rouge Parish, LA

1. Established HIV and hepatitis testing in an emergency department
2. Increased the HIV testing capacity of five community-based organizations
3. Hired five community health workers and a rapid-start navigator to reach out to the communities most impacted by the epidemic

[†] Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) is a daily pill taken to prevent HIV

For more information on the Ending the HIV Epidemic initiative at CDC, visit www.cdc.gov/endhiv